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Re: Cause No. 13-20-00280-CR
Tr.Ct.No. 16-05720-CRF-85
Style: Elijah Tate v. The State of Texas

Dear Counsel:

Upon receipt of this letter, please notify the Clerk, in writing, confirming receipt of this Court's submission notice.

The referenced cause is set for submission and oral argument on January 27, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., before a panel consisting of Chief Justice Contreras and Justices Hinojosa and Silva. In accordance with the disaster proclamations issued by Governor Abbott and emergency orders issued by the Texas Supreme Court and the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, and in order to ensure the safety of the public and our staff, the Thirteenth Court of Appeals will hold this oral argument remotely via videoconferencing on the Zoom Application. Please see the enclosed instructions for remote participation.

Lead counsel will receive an email containing the hyperlinked Zoom invite and password, at least one week prior to the setting.

The Court has determined this case merits oral argument. Tex. R. App. P. 39.7. The Court expects all parties to be present and ready for argument even if only one party has requested oral argument. Each side is allowed twenty minutes to present its case. If additional time is needed, you must file a motion requesting same prior to the date of submission. The Court looks with disfavor on the failure of lawyers to appear

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after having requested oral argument or last minute notices of waived argument. We consider these practices to be discourteous and it prevents the Court from scheduling other cases for submission.

If this setting presents an irreconcilable conflict in your schedule, it will be necessary for you to file a motion to postpone argument.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kathy S. Mills", written in a cursive style.

Kathy S. Mills, Clerk